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a pharmaceutically acceptable addition salt or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof, wherein:

each of the dotted lines independently represents an optional bond;

- R^1 represents hydrogen, halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, or C_{1-4} alkyloxy;
- R^2 represents hydrogen, halo, $C_{1,4}$ alkyl, or $C_{1,4}$ alkyloxy;
- R³ represents hydrogen, C₁₋₄alkyl, ethenyl substituted with hydroxycarbonyl or C₁₋₄alkyloxycarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkyl substituted with hydroxycarbonyl or C₁₋₄alkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxyC₁₋₄alkyl, formyl or hydroxycarbonyl;
- \mathbb{R}^{4} represents hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-4} alkyl, phenyl or halo;
- R^5 represents hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl or halo;
- L represents C_{1-6} alkyl; C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, halo, C_{1-4} alkyloxy, hydroxycarbonyl, C_{1-4} alkyloxycarbonyl, C_{1-4} alkyloxy-carbonyl C_{1-4} alkyloxy, hydroxycarbonyl C_{1-4} alkyloxy, C_{1-4} alkyloxy-carbonyl amino, C_{1-4} alkyloxy-carbonyl amino, C_{1-4} alkylaminocarbonylamino, C_{1-4} alkylaminothiocarbonylamino, aryl, aryloxy and arylcarbonyl; C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with both

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hydroxy and aryloxy; C_{3-6} alkenyl; C_{3-6} alkenyl substituted with aryl;

wherein each aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, cyano, hydroxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkyloxy, aminocarbonyl or phenyl substituted with C_{1-4} alkyloxycarbonyl or hydroxycarbonyl;

or,

L represents a radical of the formula:

-Alk-Y-Het¹

(a-1),

-Alk-NH-CO-Het²

(a-2), or

-Alk-Het³

(a-3); wherein

Alk represents C_{1.4}alkanediyl;

Y represents O, S or NH;

Het¹, Het² and Het³ each represent:

furanyl, thienyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl or imidazolyl each optionally substituted with one or two C_{i-4} alkyl substituents;

pyrrolyl or pyrazolyl optionally substituted with formyl, $\text{hydroxyC}_{1\text{-4}} \text{alkyl, hydroxycarbonyl, } C_{1\text{-4}} \text{alkyloxycarbonyl or with one or two } C_{1\text{-4}} \text{alkyl substituents;}$

thiadiazolyl or oxadiazolyl optionally substituted with amino or C_{1-4} alkyl;

pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl or pyridazinyl each optionally substituted with C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkyloxy, amino, hydroxy or halo; or

imidazo[4,5-c]pyridin-2-yl;

and Het³ may also represent a member selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) 4,5-dihydro-5-oxo-1H-tetrazolyl substituted with C₁₋₄alkyl;
- (b) 2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl;
- (c) 2,3-dihydro-2-oxo-1H-benzimidazol-1-yl; and
- (d) a radical of the formula:

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(b-1)

(b-2)

wherein:

 R^6 represents hydrogen or C_{1-4} alkyl; and

A-Z represents -S-CH=CH-, -S-CH₂-CH₂-, -S-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-,

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-CH=CH-CH=CH-, $-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$, $-N(CH_3)-C(CH_3)=CH-$

 $-CH=C(CH_3)-O-.$

Please cancel Claim 3 and rewrite as new Claim 22:

A compound according to Claim 21 wherein:

- R^3 represents hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, formyl, hydroxy C_{1-4} alkyl or hydroxycarbonyl;
- R^4 represents hydrogen, halo or hydroxyC₁₋₄alkyl; and
- L represents C_{1-4} alkyl, halo C_{1-4} alkyl, hydroxycarbonyl C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkyloxycarbonyl C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkyloxycarbonylamino C_{1-4} alkyl, aryl C_{1-4} alkyl, propenyl,

or

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L is a radical of the formula:

-Alk-Y-Het1

(a-1),

-Alk-NH-CO-Het2

(a-2), or

-Alk-Het3

(a-3); wherein

Het¹, Het² and Het³ each represent furanyl, oxazolyl, or thiazolyl each optionally substituted with C_{1-4} alkyl; thiadiazolyl optionally substituted with amino; pyridinyl; pyrimidinyl optionally substituted with hydroxy; or imidazo[4,5-c]pyridin-2-yl;

or Het³ may also represent a radical of the formula (b-2):

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Claims 2 and 5, first line of each claim, after "claim" delete "1" and insert therefor --- 21 ---.

Claim 4, line 1, after "claim", delete "3" and insert therefor --- 22 ---.

Claims 11 and 16, last line of each claim, after "Claim" delete "1" and insert therefor --- 21 ---.

Claims 13 and 18, last line of each claim, after "Claim" delete "3" and insert therefor --- 22 ---.

Delete Claim 9 and replace with Claim 23:

23. A compound of the formula:

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$$Q-N \xrightarrow{R^{1}} R^{5}$$

$$Q-N \xrightarrow{N} R^{3}$$

$$R^{4}$$

an acid addition salt thereof or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof, wherein each of the dotted lines independently represents an optional bond, and wherein:

 R^1 represents hydrogen, halo, C_{1-4} alkyl or C_{1-4} alkyloxy;

 R^2 represents hydrogen, halo, C_{1-4} alkyl or C_{1-4} alkyloxy;

- R^3 represents hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, ethenyl substituted with hydroxycarbonyl or C_{1-4} alkyloxycarbonyl, C_{1-4} alkyl substituted with hydroxycarbonyl or C_{1-4} alkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxy C_{1-4} alkyl, formyl or hydroxycarbonyl;
- R⁴ represents hydrogen, C₁₋₄alkyl, hydroxyC₁₋₄alkyl, phenyl or halo;
- R^5 represents hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl or halo; and
- represents phenyloxycarbonyl, or C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with a member selected from the group consisting of halo, cyano, amino, isothiocyanato, (4-amino-3-pyridinyl)aminothiocarbonylamino, (CH₃O)₂CH-CH₂-NH-C(=NCH₃)-NH₇ and methylsulfonyloxy.